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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Olivier GAUTHERON, Jose CHESNOY  
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING WAVELENGTH DEPENDENT  
INFORMATION IN AN OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
Assignee: ALCATEL  
Our Ref. Q65436

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 14 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 4 sheet(s) of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

|                           |         |   |  |   |         |   |                 |
|---------------------------|---------|---|--|---|---------|---|-----------------|
| Total claims              | 10 - 20 | = |  | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00          |
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| Base Fee                  |         |   |  |   |         |   | \$710.00        |
| <b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>   |         |   |  |   |         |   | <b>\$710.00</b> |
| Recordation of Assignment |         |   |  |   |         |   | \$40.00         |
| <b>TOTAL FEE</b>          |         |   |  |   |         |   | <b>\$750.00</b> |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from July 27, 2000 based on European Application No. 00402147.3. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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